# SUMMARY OF THE 3<sup>RD</sup> INTERMODAL ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING Louisiana Statewide Transportation Plan Update

# **Meeting Time and Location**

The third meeting of the Intermodal Advisory Council was conducted for the *Louisiana Statewide Transportation Plan Update*. The Council met on October 23, 2002, at the Radisson Hotel in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

# **Meeting Attendees**

The following persons attended the meeting:

### Advisory Council Members/Representatives

F. E. "Hank" Lauricella
Darryl Saizan, New Orleans International Airport
Tony Tramel, Lafayette Consolidated Government
Glenn Guilliot, Southeastern Motor Freight
Cathy Gautreaux, Louisiana Motor Transport Association
Sherri McConnell, Ports Association of Louisiana
Jim Harvey, Regional Planning Commission
J. Kent Rogers, Council of Governments
Carmack Blackmon, Louisiana Railroads
Dale Walsh, Rubicon, Inc.
Elton Pody, Central Louisiana Chamber of Commerce
Patrick Judge, Louisiana Public Transportation Association (LPTA)

#### Non-Member DOTD Staff

Ken Perrett, DOTD Dan Broussard, DOTD Tom Atkinson, DOTD Mike Schiro, DOTD Tony Culp, DOTD

## Consultant Team Members

Butch Babineaux, WSA
Chris Chritton, WSA
Sparky Hoffman, HNTB
Deb Miller, HNTB
J. Amdal, UNO/CUPA MPIC
Bruce Bradley, LABI
Phil Brodt, GCR & Associates, Inc.
Jay Jayawardana, UNO NPWI

# Others

James Guilbeau, Sierra Club Charles McMillon, Shreveport Airport Authority Bill Cooksey, Shreveport Airport Authority Hugh McConnell, Port of Shreveport Paul E. Hurley, KLL Consultants

The welcome and introduction was given by the Chair, Hank Lauricella.

# **Meeting Purpose**

Eric Kalivoda stated the purpose of the meeting was to present and discuss preliminary recommendations from the 7 advisory councils which in turn would ultimately be recommended to LIIEP Commission

Also, the next Intermodal Council meeting will be on November 14 (present draft plan). The Statewide Conference is scheduled for January 2003 (unveil plan to public).

# **Summary of Meeting Comments**

- Ken Perret, RPO Recommendations
   Mega projects overview and evaluation and preliminary prioritization
- Jim Harvey Locals can't find match for available federal funds. Local option gas tax would provide additional dollars for local match.
- Jim Harvey concerned about pursuing demo dollars for lower priority (Task 3) projects and pursuing demo dollars for too many different projects.

Need to focus on projects in Table 1 then Table 2. All agencies should be on same page when going for dollars in Congress.

Hank Lauricella – Provide list of uncompleted TIMED projects and related costs.

Aviation Recommendations – Phil Brodt, GCR

A-15 reconsider \$200,000 additional should be dedicated funding for maintenance

Surface Passenger Recommendations - Jim Amdal

Southern Rapid Rail Transit Commission funding of \$3 million is low

N.O. Airport to CBD - \$400 million total cost

Rail Line \$200 m federal new start money

\$200 m from other sources

(LDOTD and local government sources)

ITS Recommendations – Tony Tramel

Recommendation regarding transponders operability at <u>all</u> LA facilities not just ports as stated includes toll booths, airports, etc.

• Trucking Recommendations – Glenn Guillot

RPC relationships w/trucking ports, airports, etc., on the MPO Committee has been very successful and beneficial to group

Ports and Waterways Recommendations - Sherri McConnell

No Comments

Freight Rail Recommendations – Carmack Blackmon

N.O. Gateway Study recommends ITS for entire distribution center. Add Gateway project upon the recommendation regarding the study of ongoing related rail projects.

At the conclusion of the meeting, the Council authorized the DOTD staff and consultant team to assemble a draft plan for presentation and discussion at the next Intermodal Advisory Council meeting scheduled for November 14, 2002.